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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Agency

Renewal of sanads to pleaders in East Godavari Agency.

*741 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. Swami: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government Agent, East Godavari, granted sanads to four persons in 1927 permitting them to practise in certain Munsif's Court in the Agency area;

(b) whether the said sanads were directed to be granted in the usual course under the Agency rules without any time limit;

(c) the name of the Government Agent who granted such sanads;

(d) whether these sanads were not renewed in the next year, that is, 1928;

(e) if so, what the reasons were for not renewing these sanads; and

(f) whether the Government will direct the Government Agent to reconsider the matter?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) No. The sanads which were granted were to be in force only up till 31st December 1927.

(c) Mr. G. W. Priestley.

(d) They were not renewed for 1928.

(e) Renewal was refused because there was already a sufficient number of qualified practitioners or old sanad-holders practising in the Agency Courts.

(f) No.

Mr. K. V. R. Swami:—"May I ask the hon. the Revenue Member whether the Agent can grant temporary sanads under rule 21?"

The hon. Sir Norman Marjoribanks:—"I must ask for notice. I thought the hon. Member referred me to an order which purports to give permanent sanads; I shall make further enquiries."

Irrigation

Action taken on the report of the Mettur Project deputation.

*742 Q.—Mr. C. V. Venkataramana Ayyangar: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether any decision has been arrived at by the Government on the report made by the Mettur Project deputation, and if so, to what effect;

(b) whether the Government have any objection to publish the report for public information and criticism even if no decision has been arrived at;

(c) when the copy of the report was sent to the Government of India; whether it was sent with a covering letter, and if so, to what effect;

(d) whether there has been any correspondence between this Government and the Government of India regarding this report and the revised estimates after they were forwarded by this Government, and if so, to what effect; and

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